

# Lakewood Animal Safety & Welfare Advisory Board

July 17, 2019 Meeting

Location: Lakewood City Hall

Present:

Board Members: Erin Shaughnessy, Phyllis Dykes, Nancy McDonnell,

Emily Christescu, Cassie Gaffney, Emily Petro, Nancy Binder,

ACO Jack Crawford

Not present: Juleen Russell, Councilperson Tristan Rader

# **Animal Safety and Welfare Advisory Board Committee Meeting**

## Minutes Wednesday July 17, 2019

- I. Welcome and roll call conducted by Board Member Shaughnessy. 7 voting members present.
- II. Approval of June Meeting Minutes Board
  - a. Unanimous verbal vote in favor of motion to waive formal reading of the minutes. No discussion on minutes as presented. Motion passes to approve the minutes.
- III. Lakewood Animal Control Report (ACO Crawford)
  - a. Numerous kittens and adult cats available for adoption, and zero dogs. A chicken is being held until its animal abuse case is resolved.
  - b. First dangerous dog designation was made. The dog was elevated from potential nuisance when it attacked another dog in December 2018, to dangerous when it most recently attacked another dog causing injury. ACO gave the owner a failure to control potential nuisance dog and a dog at large citation. The owner can appeal through the courts.
- IV. Board Recommendation for After-Hours Protocol for At-Large and Injured Animals
  - a. Mayor Summers and Shannon Strachan will attend the August meeting and discuss the Board's recommendations.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- V. 2019 Committees/Working Groups Plan Updates
  - a. 2019 Plan (Shaughnessy)
    - i. Items need reviewed.
    - ii. Board Members Gaffney and Petro to join working groups.
  - a. Wildlife Education & Outreach (Shaughnessy)
    - i. This topic will be revisited when necessary.
  - c. Dog Ordinances (Shaughnessy)
    - i. Distributed literature and recommended the city have townhall meetings, a 6 foot leash promo, and "Ask an ACO".
  - d. Spay and Neuter Education and Outreach (Binder)
    - i. Social media posts and postcards will coincide with the event (date TBD).
    - ii. More info on transport day will be available soon.



- e. Community Events (McDonnell)
  - During the 4th of July parade, 80 pounds of hard candy along with 600 Dog Ordinance cards including dog treats (20 pounds of biscuits) attached were distributed. The board discussed increasing those amounts next year.
  - ii. The Spooky Pooch parade is Saturday, October 19th, 12:30 3:30 pm. Consult last year's minutes for the LASWAB items distributed during the event at the LASWAB booth, including info on Spay/Neuter day. Pet's General provided leashes last year; Board Members McDonnell and Petro will research potential leash donations for the Board to distribute. Ask Lakewood Alive if leash laws can be included in the event materials.
  - iii. Board member Petro to join the community events working group and assist with the Spooky Pooch parade.
  - iv. Spay/Neuter Day is a big event and will require Board Members to assist throughout the event (can work in shifts).
  - v. Kate Coghlan, CCLAS President, is selling dog/cat treats at the upcoming art festival and will pass out Dog Ordinance cards at the event.
- f. Dog Bite Prevention Education (Shaughnessy)
  - i. Safety Town did not present the Dog Bite Prevention information.
  - ii. Planning outreach for children and a project/display at the library.
- g. Communications (Russell)
  - i. Board Member Russell to provide an update next month.

#### VI. Communications

- a. Status of recently submitted posts will revisit next month with updates.
  - Dogs at Large (Dog Ordinances/Shaughnessy)
  - ii. Leah Law (Dog Ordinance/Shaughnessy)
  - iii. 4th of July Safety (Shaughnessy)
  - iv. Dog Ordinance Post citizen engagement with ACOs (Shaughnessy)
  - v. Safety in the Heat (Shaughnessy)
  - vi. Dog Ordinance August
  - vii. Other August
  - viii. September Happy Healthy Cat Month
  - ix. September Spay/Neuter day

## No public comment.

Motion is made to adjourn; motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm.